IN THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of destructively editing a time based stream of information in a processing system, the method comprising:

   A) storing the time based stream of information in storage;

   B) selecting a portion of the time based stream of information;

   C) receiving a user deletion command; and

   D) deleting the portion from the storage, without examining storage capacity state, in response to the user deletion command such that the portion is no longer stored on the storage and is thereby destructively edited.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including providing reference data corresponding to the stored time based stream information and wherein the selecting is by extracting the reference data from at least a portion of a reference.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the reference forms at least one new reference with reference data to the remaining time based stream of information.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the extracted reference data is from a portion nested within the reference and the reference splits into a first new reference corresponding to the information prior to the extracted reference data and a second new reference corresponding to the information after the extracted reference data.

5. (Original) The method of claim 2, further including depositing the extracted reference data in a trash depository prior to deleting the portion.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein deleting the portion is by permanently eliminating the information from storage directly without an intermediary step.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) A method for managing storage in a processing system, comprising:

A) storing a time based stream of information in the storage;

B) selecting at least a portion of the time based stream of information in response to a user selection command;

C) determining whether the portion is represented by more than one reference data containing processing information corresponding to the time based stream of information; and

D) deleting the portion from the storage, without examining storage capacity state, if the portion is not represented by more than one reference data such that the portion is no longer stored on the storage and is thereby destructively edited.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, further including depositing corresponding reference data in a trash depository prior to deleting the information.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the deleting is further if a cancel command is not received.

11. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the selecting is by extracting corresponding reference data from at least a portion of a reference.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein if a cancel command is received, the extracted reference data is replaced in the reference and the portion is not deleted.

13. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the reference forms at least one new reference to the remaining time based stream of information after extracting.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the extracted reference data is nested in the reference and the reference splits into a first new reference corresponding to the information prior to the extracted reference data and a second new reference corresponding to the information after the extracted reference data.

15. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 8, wherein the deleting is by permanently eliminating the information from storage directly without an intermediary step.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) A time based stream of information processing system comprising:

A) a capture port for acquiring time based stream of information;

B) a storage for storing the time based stream of information;

C) a display device; and

D) a processor for selecting a portion of the time based stream of information and deleting the portion from the storage, without

examining storage capacity state, in response to a user deletion command such that the portion is no longer stored on the storage and is thereby destructively edited.

18. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein the display device includes a deletion control.

19. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein the storage further includes at least one reference having data corresponding to the time based stream of information and the processor is further for deleting the reference data.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the processor is further for forming at least one new reference with reference data to the remaining time based stream of information after deleting the reference data.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently amended) The processing system for destructively editing a time based stream of information to generate a presentation comprising:

A) means for storing the time based stream of information in storage;

B) means for selecting a portion of the time based stream of information;

C) means for receiving a user deletion command; and

D) means for deleting the portion from the storage, without examining storage capacity state, in response to the user deletion command such that the portion is no longer stored on the storage and is thereby destructively edited.

23. (Original) The system of claim 22, further including a means for providing a reference corresponding to the stored time based stream

information and wherein the selecting is by extracting at least a portion of the reference.

24. (Original) The system of claim 23, wherein the extracted reference forms at least one new reference to the remaining time based stream of information

25. (Original) The system of claim 24, wherein the extracted portion is from a portion nested in the reference and the reference splits into a first new reference corresponding to the information prior to the extracted portion and a second new reference corresponding to the information after the extracted portion

26. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 22, wherein the deleting is by permanently eliminating the information from storage directly without an intermediary step.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently amended) A computer readable medium having stored therein a plurality of sequences of executable instructions, which, when executed by a processing system for collecting a time based stream of information and generating a presentation, cause the processor to:

A) store the time based stream of information in storage;

B) select a portion of the time based stream of information;

C) receive a user deletion command; and

D) delete the portion from the storage, without examining storage capacity state, in response to the user deletion command such that the portion is no longer stored on the storage and is thereby destructively edited.

29. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 28, further including additional sequences of executable instructions, which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to provide a reference corresponding to the stored time based stream information and wherein the selecting is by extracting reference data from at least a portion of the reference.

30. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 29, wherein the extracted reference forms at least one new reference with reference data to the remaining time based stream of information.

31. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 30, wherein the extracted reference data is from a portion nested in the reference and the reference splits into a first new reference corresponding to the information prior to the extracted reference data and a second new reference corresponding to the information after the extracted reference data.

32. (Original) The computer readable medium of claim 29, further including additional sequences of executable instructions, which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to deposit the extracted reference data in a trash depository prior to deleting the portion

33. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 28, wherein deleting the portion is by permanently eliminating the information from storage directly without an intermediary step.

34. (Cancelled)